

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The Art of Living Foundation is a non-profit, educational and humanitarian

organization founded in 1981 by the world-renowned philanthropist, spiritual

leader, and ambassador of peace, Sri Sri Ravi Shankar; and

WHEREAS: Shankar's programs and initiatives have touched the lives of over 370 million

people in 155 countries and are guided by the philosophy: "Unless we have a stress-free mind and a violence-free society, we cannot achieve world peace"; and

WHEREAS: The Art of Living Foundation celebrates 35 years of service to humanity by

commemorating the World Culture Festival held in New Delhi during March

2016; and

WHEREAS: The World Culture Festival will demonstrate the power of peace, bringing

together world leaders from social, political and business fields, and renew their

vision to work towards the welfare of society; and

WHEREAS: The World Culture Festival will be the largest peace gathering on the planet

including about 3.5 million people from 155 countries, and the biggest celebration of diversity in cultures, showcasing dance, music and arts from across the world while simultaneously highlighting our unity as a human family.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 1, 2016, as:

WORLD CULTURE FESTIVAL DAY

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 31st day of March.

GOVERNOR

Office Pinno SECRETARY OF STATE